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RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

OF THE

TOWN OF FREMONT,

FOR THE

FINANCIAL YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1864.

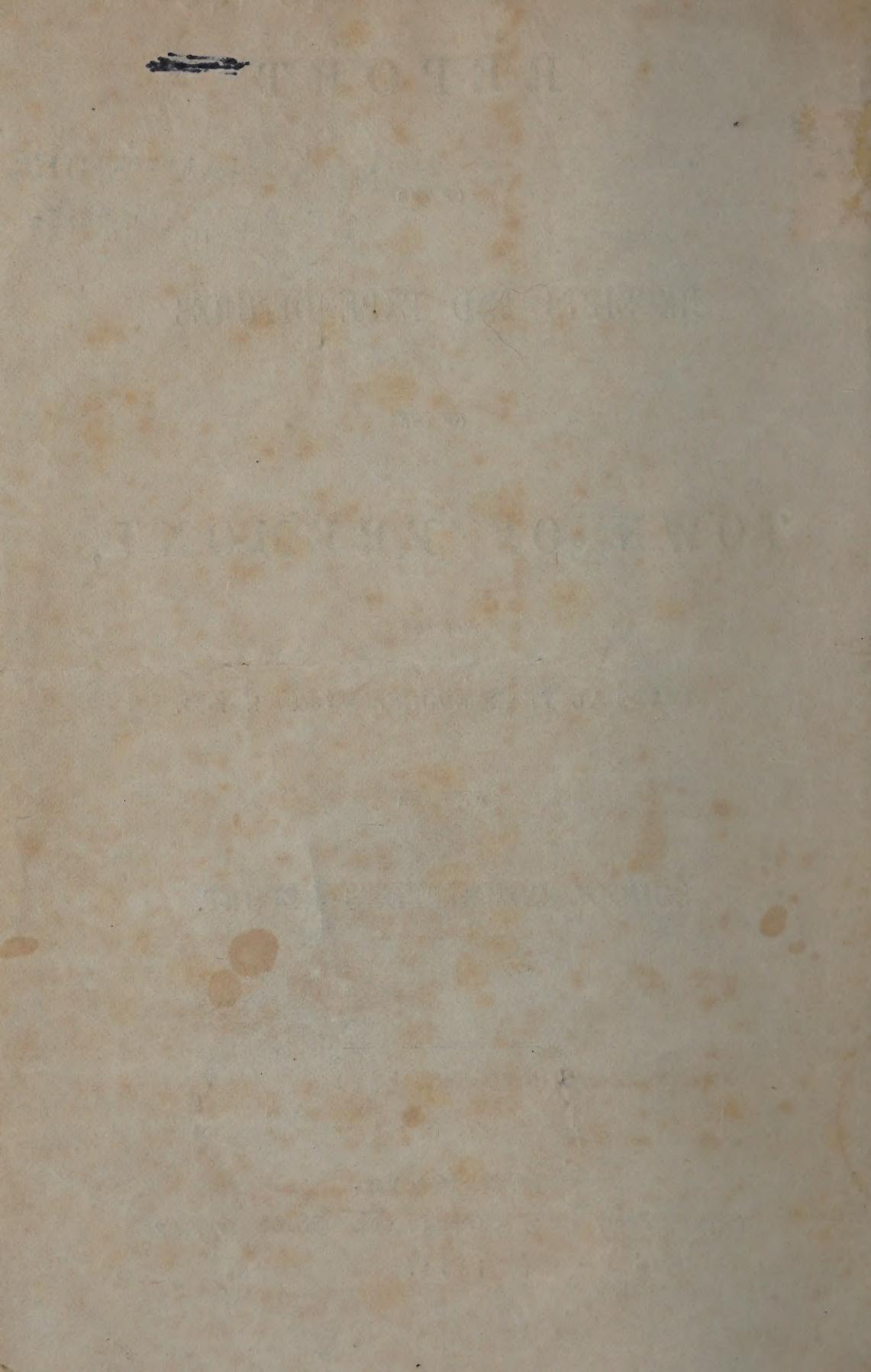
WITH THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

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1864.



SELECTMENS' ACCOUNT,

WITH THE

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

The Selectmen charge themselves with the following sums,
to wit:—

Cash Received, Balance in Treasurer's hands last year,	\$92 72
Interest on \$46 for two months.	46
of the State, as Literary Fund	20 79
of the State, for aid of Families of Volunteers, to May 1st, 1863	1,824 13
of the State, as Bounties to Volunteers, under the Call of Oct. 17th	700 00
of the State, as Railroad Tax	20 70
of the County, for the Support of Paupers, to January 22, 1864	560 72
of D. C. Hook, Collector of 1861	18 21
1862	143 95
of Horatio Beede, Collector of 1863 .	2,259 52
as Rent of Poor Farm	17 00
as Rent of Widow Abbott's Land	16 00
Cash Borrowed of sundry individuals, as per schedule of notes annexed	5,428 00
Cash Received of D. C. Hook, for Bridge Plank	1 50
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	\$11,103 70

The Selectmen discharge themselves as follows:—

Public Taxes.

Paid State Tax for 1863	\$477 90
County Tax for 1863	312 31
	<hr/> \$790 21 <hr/>

Schools.

Paid School District, No. 1	\$113 15
No. 2	130 14
No. 3	101 65
No. 4	48 46
Paid I. S. & Geo. H. Tucks' School Tax	<hr/> 3 53 <hr/> \$396 93

NON-RESIDENT HIGHWAY LABOR.

Paid District No. 1	\$10 34
No. 2	3 26
No. 4	1 11
No. 5	7 42
No. 6	1 36
No. 7	1 69
No. 8	2 69
No. 9	<hr/> 32 53 <hr/> \$60 40

BREAKING ROADS, WINTER OF 1862-63.

Paid Joseph Sanborn	\$1 20
John Scribner	1 20
Benning S. Scribner	1 20
Simon Foss	35
A. S. Sanborn	60
Asa Sanborn	1 50
Alvah Sanborn	1 50
Horatio Beede	1 00
G. F. Beede	1 60
C. C. Brown, 2d	3 50
J. W. Smith	<hr/> 2 75 <hr/> Amounts carried forward
	\$16 40 \$1,247 54

	Amounts brought forward	\$16 40	\$1,247 54
Paid John L. Fitts	70		
Joseph S. Dearborn	1 00		
James Martin	1 00		
John M. Fitts	1 70		
E. D. Lyford	1 00		
W. Lyford	1 80		
Gardner Sleeper	5 00		
B. P. Webster	1 50		
Moses N. Sanborn	1 00		
Ezra Currier	2 00		
Robert S. French	2 00		
A. T. Kimball	1 50		
Moses Hook	90		
D. C. Hook	1 20		
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			\$38 70

STATE AID TO FAMILIES OF VOLUNTEERS.

Paid William L. Neal's family, 3½ months, ending June 13, 1863	\$28 00
Paid John A. Tilton, 6 months, from his discharge Feb. 17, to Aug. 17, 1863	48 00
Paid David Sanborn's child, 9 months, ending July 16,	36 00
Paid Mary N. Osgood, from Feb. 21 to June 13	15 00
Paid Obadiah W. Smith's family, from Feb. 20, to his discharge Aug. 17, 1863	71 00
Paid O. W. Smith, 6 months, from Aug. 17, 1863, to Feb. 17, 1864	48 00
Paid P. R. Gordon's family, from Feb. 18 to his dis- charge, March 24	15 00
Paid P. R. Gordon, for 6 months from his discharge, to Sept. 24	45 00
Paid George W. Morrill's family, from Feb. 28 to June 13	8 00
Paid J. M. Marsh's family, from Feb. 28 to June 13	48 00
Paid Timothy Tilton's family, from Jan. 23 to July 23,	54 00
Paid Henry Hutchinson's family, 11 1-2 months end- ing Feb. 23, being 6 months after his death	129 08
Paid John C. Trickey's parents, from March 1 to Sept. 1	11 29
Paid John H. Carr's family, 12 months, ending Feb. 9, 1864	144 00
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Amounts carried forward,	\$700 37
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	\$1,286 24

Amounts brought forward	\$700 37	\$1,286 25
Paid H. P. Beede's family, 12 months, ending Feb. 9, 1864	144 00	
Paid Josiah R. West's family, 12 months, ending Feb. 25, 1864	144 00	
Paid John B. Clement's family, 12 months, ending Feb. 21, 1864	144 00	
Paid Oren Bean's family, 12 months, ending Feb. 21, 1864	144 00	
Paid Thomas G. Judd's family, 12 months, ending Feb. 8, 1864	144 00	
Paid J. F. Mudgett's family, 12 months, ending Feb. 24, 1864	48 00	
Paid S. J. McLane's family, 12 months, ending Feb. 28, 1864	96 00	
Paid Joseph L. Small's family, 12 months, ending Feb. 28, 1864	96 00	
Paid W. S. Dearborn's family, 12 months, ending Feb. 22, 1864	96 00	
		— \$1,756 37

Paupers.

Paid J. W. Bishop, expense of George Evans, a transient pauper	\$1 50
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EXPENSE OF SAMUEL TRIMBLE AND WIFE.

Paid J. Scribner, for 1-2 cord Pine and 1-2 cord Hard Wood	\$3 25
Carr Gilman, for cutting same	1 50
George H. Floyd, for 1 cord Hard and Soft Wood	3 12
George H. Floyd, for Sawing and Splitting do .	1 50
2 lbs. Butter	54
2 lbs. Lard	26
8 lbs. Pork	88
Phineas Beede, for 1 cord Hard and Soft Wood,	3 00
J. Burley, for 6 ft. Hard and Soft Wood . . .	3 00
Cutting same	1 12
C. W. Follett, for 1 1-2 cords Wood	5 25
Cutting 1-2 cord	75
H. H. Wood, for cutting 1-2 cord	75
Jesse Smith, for cutting and splitting Wood . .	4 33
Amounts carried forward	\$29 25
	— \$3,044 11

	Amounts brought forward	\$29 25	\$3,044 11
Paid P. Robinson, for 2 1-2 yds. Flannel	1 75		
1 1-2 lbs. Tea	1 46		
42 lbs. Flour	2 00		
H. Beede, for 8 lbs. Beef	64		
2 1-2 lbs. Pork	33		
1 1-2 gall. Oil	1 13		
6 lbs. Sugar	96		
1 lb. Saleratus	8		
W. Lyford, for 5 lbs. Pork	45		
Mrs. Trimble, Cash	55 00		
for Coffin for Mr. Trimble	5 00		
for Grave Clothes for same	1 50		
P. Robinson, for getting Coffin	1 25		
C. W. Follett, for attendance at death, &c.	1 50		
Elder J. Marsh, for attending Funeral	1 00		
J. Benfield and C. Gilman, for Burying	1 00		
Joanna Smith, for 6 weeks Service	9 00		
		—	\$113 30

JESSE SMITH AND WIFE.

Paid J. A. Tilton, for 2 3-4 months House Rent	\$2 06		
Henry A. Hall, for House Rent to April 1, 1864,	8 00		
J. Scribner, for 8 lbs. Veal	56		
2 quarts Beans	16		
6 ft. Hemlock Wood	2 00		
H. Beede, for drawing Wood	2 92		
1 1-2 cords Hard Wood	6 00		
Mr. Smith, Cash	51 00		
Dr. Caverly, Bill for Medical Aid	1 50		
	—		\$74 20

MARY WOODMAN.

Paid J. Brown, Jr., for her support 18 weeks, ending July 14	\$12 00		
Benjamin Woodman, for 7 1-2 weeks, ending Sept. 6	5 78		
J. Brown, Jr., for boarding 26 1-2 weeks, ending March 6, 1864	19 50		
Dr. Caverly, for Medical Aid	2 75		
Dr. Burnham, do. do.	3 00		
	—		\$43 03
Amount carried forward			\$3,274 64

Amount brought forward : : : : \$3,274 64

REBECCA ROWE.

Paid Dudley Rowe, for supporting her 52 weeks, ending Feb. 22, 1864. \$52 00

DUDLEY ROWE AND FAMILY.

Paid P. Beede, for Potatoes	\$4 00
J. B. Robinson, for 3 bushels Potatoes	1 00
Mr. R we, Cash	2 00
Dr. Gould, for Medical Aid	25 00
Dr. Caverly, do do	4 00
I. L. Robinson, for Supplies 34 1-2 weeks, ending Feb. 25, 1864	69 00
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	\$105 00

JEREMIAH WORTHEN.

Paid I. L. Robinson, for Supplies, 52 weeks, ending Feb. 22, 1864 \$52 00

ABIGAIL GRIFFIN.

Paid R. B. Brown, for her Support 52 weeks, ending March 1, 1864 65 00

MARY J. WORTHEN AND CHILD.

Paid Samuel Trickey, for their Support 52 weeks, ending Feb. 28, 1864 65 00

JAMES ROBINSON.

Paid D. B. Chase, for Supplies 7 weeks, ending Jan. 16, 1864 7 00

HANNAH ABBOTT.

Paid Mary S. Brown, for Mrs. Abbott's Support, 52 weeks, ending March 1, 1864 65 00

JOHN M. MARSH'S FAMILY.

Paid Mrs. Marsh, for their Support, from June 13 to Feb. 11 96 00

Amount carried forward

 \$3,781 64

Amount brought forward	\$3,781 64
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BOUNTIES TO CONSCRIPTS.

Paid Freeman Brown	\$300 00
Phineas B. Beede	300 00
Josiah N. Follett	300 00
Amos Sanborn	300 00
Byron T. Smith	300 00
Charles W. Brown	300 00
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	\$1,800 00

BOUNTIES TO VOLUNTEERS.

Paid Bounties for 7 Volunteers to fill the Town's quota, under the Call of Oct. 17, 1863	\$4,095 00
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CLAIMS REPORTED LAST YEAR.

Paid Moses P. Stevenson, Note and Interest	\$206 00
Daniel B. Rogers, do. do.	312 40
John Scribner, do. do.	65 10
George W. Morrill, do. do.	212 40
Timothy Tilton, do. do.	213 53
Josiah B. Robinson, for building Bridges	98 00
P. Robinson, Interest 1 year, on \$600	30 00
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	\$1,137 43

INTEREST PAID FOR MONEY BORROWED AND PAID DURING THE YEAR.

Paid Daniel B. Chase	\$3 20
B. S. Scribner	72
George H. Floyd	80
Josiah B. Robinson	2 11
David Jewell	9 50
Jeremiah Burley	1 36
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	\$17 69

ABATEMENT OF TAXES.

Paid Abatement of Joseph Sanborn's Poll Tax for the year 1862	\$2 22
Abatement of J. W. Yeaton's tax, 1861	1 79
George W. Morrill's tax, 1861	84
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Amounts carried forward	\$4 85 \$10,831 76

Amounts brought forward	\$4 85	\$10,831 76
Paid Abatement of Bruce D. Osgood's tax, 1861	1 57	
Rhoda Carr's tax, 1861	2 98	
Daniel Young's tax, 1863	2 58	
Hannah Abbott's tax, 1862	93	
Nathaniel Brown's poll tax, 1863,	2 50	
Joel Howard's dog tax, 1863	1 00	
J. W. Haines' tax, 1863	2 66	
		\$19 07

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS.

Paid David Leavitt, for Bridge Covering	\$1 25	
84 ft. Bridge Plank	84	
Powder, Drills, and Fuse	34	
<i>J. Scribner</i>		
Printing Town Reports, last year	15 00	
Surveyors' and Collectr's book,	1 75	
Stationery	3 00	
Distributing Town Reports	75	
Expense of Auditors	50	
Boardman Poor, for drawing J. Smith's goods from Raymond	1 00	
Boardman Poor, for breaking Roads	1 00	
C. W. Follett, for Fuel at Town Meeting	50	
Cleaning Meeting House	1 50	
Town Clerk of Nottingham, for Certificate in Pauper Case	75	
Dr. Caverly, for returns of Births and Deaths	55	
P. Beede, for Administering an Oath	25	
J. W. Smith, for Covering Stone	50	
A. S. Sanborn, for Journey to Lee, to pay Rogers' Note	2 25	
Abatement of S. Trickey's tax, 1862	2 68	
P. Beede, for 1346 ft. Bridge Timber	16 15	
Jeremiah Burley, for 76 ft. Bridge Plank	76	
Bridge Stringers	20	
H. H. Wood, for distributing Town Reports	1 00	
Cash paid Express	12	
Town Clerk of Exeter, for Certificate in Pauper Case	25	
Sarah A. Scribner, for 1262 ft. Plank	15 14	
11 1-2 lbs. Spikes	69	
Amounts carried forward	\$68 72	\$10,850 83

Amounts brought forward	\$68 72	\$10,850 83
D. B. Chase, for 5 lbs. Powder for Road	2 92	
Clerk of Court, for examining records in Pauper Case	25	
Amos Sanborn, for Powder, Drills, and Fuse	1 75	
I. L. Robinson, for 9 yds. Fuse	27	
1 1-2 lbs. Putty	12	
14 Panes Glass	48	
Postage Stamps	36	
Envelopes	04	
George F. Beede, for 338 ft. Timber, 1862	1 69	
288 ft. Plank	2 88	
services as superintending School Committee	10 00	
H. Beede, for 100 ft. Bridge Plank	1 20	
Collecting Taxes, 1863	20 40	
A. J. Todd, for services as Town Clerk	10 00	
Stationery	70	
Revenue Stamps	1 19	
James Martin, for Gravel on Road	2 00	
Gardner Sleeper, for Stone Bridge Covering	1 00	
5 Bridge Stringers	5 00	
4 1-2 days Repair'g Bridge,	4 50	
Wash. Lyford, for 2 days Repairing Bridge	2 00	
		\$137 47

SELECTMENS' SERVICES.

PAID JOHN SCRIBNER.

Mar.	One day on Pauper Business	\$1 25
	1-2 day with Selectmen	63
	Ruling and Lettering Inventory	1 00
Apr.	3 days Taking Inventory	3 75
	One day Making Assessments	1 25
	1-2 day Drawing Jurors and Other Business	62
	1-2 day with Selectmen	63
May.	Making and Recording Taxes, and copying into Collectors' and Surveyors' Book	9 00
	Making out Account of State Aid to Families of Volunteers	1 50
	Making Returns of Soldiers	1 50
	1-2 day on Pauper and Other Business	63
	Making Copy of Non-Resident Taxes for Deputy Secretary	1 50
	Amount carried forward	\$23 26
		\$11,011 56

Amount brought forward	\$11,011 56
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PAID PERLEY ROBINSON.

July 31,	For 1-2 day with Selectmen, to appoint Treasurer, File Bond, and Other Business	\$ 62
Aug. 3,	Journey to Brentwood after Doctor for D. Rowe, and taking Rowe's Deposition	1 00
Aug. 4,	1-2 day at J. Scribner's, to settle his Acc't and get the Books	62
Aug. 11,	Journey to appoint Highway Surveyor in District No. 8, and Other Business	50
	1-2 day Dividing School Money	63
Aug. 12,	Journey to Concord, concerning Aid for Families of Volunteers	1 25
	Car Fare and Expenses	2 00
Aug. 13,	Making out Account for State Aid, to supply the one lost	1 00
Sept. 1-2,	Two days at Concord and Portsmouth, concerning Conscripts and the Town's Quota, Car Fare to Concord and Portsmouth	2 50 3 30
Sept. 11,	For day at Concord to get State Aid	1 25
	Car Fare	2 00
Sept. 14,	One day Settling with Conscripts	1 50
Oct. 27,	Making Pauper Account	50
Oct. 29-30,	Two Journeys to Portsmouth, to get Pauper Money	2 50
	Car Fare, twice each way	2 60
Nov. 4,	1-2 day on Pauper Business	62
Nov. 23-27,	3 days Borrowing Money to Pay Vols.	3 75
Dec. 28,	1-2 day on Pauper Business	63
Jan. 7,	Taking Deposit'n of J. Robinson, a County Pauper	50
Jan. 21,	Making Pauper Account	50
Jan. 22,	Journey to Exeter after Pauper Money	1 50
Jan. 25,	Journey to Jewell's, to pay Borr'd Money,	50
Jan. 26-7,	3 days Settling Up, Charging and Posting Books	3 75
Feb. 16,	Making Check Lists, Warrant, and Copies for Annual Meeting	1 00
	Time spent Paying Families of Vols.	5 00
	Preparing Account for Publication	2 00
	One day with Selectmen and Auditors	1 25
		\$44 77
	Amount carried forward	\$11,056 33

Amount brought forward	\$11,056 33
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PAID PHINEAS B. BEEDE.

March 1,	1-2 day concerning Volunteers	\$ 62
	1 day on Pauper Business	1 25
April,	3 days Taking Inventory	3 75
	1 1-2 day on Town Business	1 87
June,	1 day on Town Business	1 25
July,	1-2 day at Scribner's, Settling Accounts	63
	Making Warrants and Other Business	93
	Settling with Families of Volunteers	63
August,	1-2 day concerning Enrolment	63
	1 1-2 day on Pauper Business	1 87
December,	1 1-2 day on Pauper Business	1 88
February,	1-2 day with Selectmen	63
		—
		\$15 94

PAID WASHINGTON LYFORD.

March 18,	1-2 day on Pauper Business	\$ 63
April	3 days Taking Inventory	3 75
	1-2 day Making Assessment	63
July 20,	1-2 day with Selectmen	63
	1-2 day on Pauper Business	50
July 13,	Posting Warrants for Town Meeting	25
	1 day on Town Business	1 25
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		\$7 64
Whole Amount of Expenditures		<u>\$11,074 91</u>

Recapitulation.

Whole Amount of Receipts	<u>\$11,103 70</u>
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EXPENDITURES.

Public Taxes	\$790 21
School Taxes	396 93
Non-Resident Labor and Breaking Roads	99 10
Aid to Families of Volunteers	1,756 87
County Paupers	576 53
Town Paupers	16 50
Bounties to Conscripts	1,800 00
Bounties to Volunteers	4,095 00
Old Debts	1,137 43
Interest and Abatements	36 76

Amount carried forward	\$10,850 83
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Amount brought forward	\$10,850 83
Miscellaneous Bills	137 47
Selectmens' Services	91 61
	—
	\$229 08
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	\$11,079 91
Balance in hands of Treasurer	\$23 79
PERLEY ROBINSON, PHINEAS B. BEEDE, WASHINGTON LYFORD.	{ Selectmen of Fremont.

The undersigned, having examined the foregoing account, are satisfied that it is correct; and report that from the books, the following appears to be the present financial condition of the Town:—

Notes against the Town, including interest, as reported last year:—

Louisa Tuck	\$167 27
Abigail Norris	232 00
Josiah Robinson, Jr.	62 26
Mary Beede, 3 notes	385 00
Sarah Carr	47 20
Nancy E. M. Hook	111 00
Perley Robinson	603 00
Asa Sanborn	431 00
Mary Page	106 52
Sarah E. French	43 00
Sally Chase	125 20
George W. Bassett, 2 notes	207 60
Benning S. Scribner, 2 notes	512 00
A. S. Sanborn	158 00
Horatio Beede	105 00
Sarah A. Chase	104 00
Charles Williams	206 00
Joseph Sanborn, Jr.	180 25
Joseph L. Small	206 00
George F. Small	206 00
Plumer D. Small	206 00
E. F. Osgood, 2 notes	232 15
Thomas G. Judd	206 00
Josiah West	306 00 <i>225</i>
Amount carried forward	\$5,048 45

	Amount brought forward	:	:	\$5,048 45
Gardner Sleeper	.	.	.	615 00
Sarah E Prevere	.	.	.	41 60
Mary S. Brown	.	.	.	107 00
Luther C. True	.	.	.	257 30
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				\$6,069 35
One year's Interest on all but \$600 of the above	.	.	.	328 16
				—————
				\$6,397 51

The following Notes have been given during the year, at the several dates named :—

Asa Sanborn, March 21, 1863	.	.	.	\$200 00
	November 23, 1863	.	.	100 00
Jonathan Brown, March 14, 1863	.	.	.	120 00
G. W. Bassett, March 30, 1863	.	.	.	200 00
Joseph Sanborn, April 21, 1863	.	.	.	100 00
Benjamin P. Webster, May 12, 1863	.	.	.	200 00
	November 23, 1863	.	.	150 00
Juliette J. Williams, June 11, 1863	.	.	.	25 00
William H. Brown, June 12, 1863	.	.	.	50 00
Sarah Lyford, July 7, 1863	.	.	.	100 00
Abigail Norris, July 9, 1863	.	.	.	70 00
John Brown, July 28, 1863	.	.	.	50 00
A. S. Sanborn, July 6, 1863	.	.	.	300 00
Josiah Robinson, September 1, 1863	.	.	.	100 00
James Martin, September 8, 1863	.	.	.	300 00
	November 23, 1863	.	.	400 00
John H. Carr, Jr., September 4, 1863	.	.	.	300 00
E. Augusta Robinson, November 23, 1863	.	.	.	200 00
George H. Floyd, November 26, 1863	.	.	.	100 00
Sarah E. Gove, November 27, 1863	.	.	.	400 00
Mary D. Jenners, November 25, 1863	.	.	.	100 00
Stephen Holt, November 28, 1863	.	.	.	100 00
Mary A. Holt, November 28, 1863	.	.	.	100 00
	January 8, 1864.	.	.	100 00
Joseph L. Holt, November 28, 1863	.	.	.	203 00
John H. Holt, November 28, 1863	.	.	.	125 00
Joshua F. Lane, November 28, 1863	.	.	.	400 00
Winthrop N. Dow, November 28, 1863	.	.	.	200 00
Nancy Robinson, November 28, 1863	.	.	.	100 00
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Amount carried forward	.	.	.	\$4,893 00

Amount brought forward	\$4,893 00
Eliza J. Sinclair, November 28, 1863	60 00
Mary S. Brown, November 28, 1863	200 00
Mrs. D. C. Hook, December 8, 1863	75 00
J. B. Robinson, November 28, 1863	100 00
Jeremiah Burley, November 28, 1863	100 00
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	\$5,428 00
Interest on the above to February 30, at 6 per cent.	138 48
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	\$5,566 48
Whole amount of Claims against the Town	\$11,964 00
From which Deduct:—	
Balance in Treasurer's hands	\$23 79
Due on C. C. Brown's collection, 1857	3 41
D. C. Hook's collection, 1861	8 60
1862	29 48
Horatio Beede's collection, 1863	71 73
Due from County, for Paupers	55 00
State, for State Aid	1,344 00
U.S. Government, for Bounties	2,114 00
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Leaving a Debt of	\$3,650 01
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	\$8,313 99

DANIEL BEEDE, *For the Auditors.*

FREMONT, FEBRUARY 20, 1864.

The undersigned takes the liberty here to state, that according to the best of his knowledge, the foregoing Report presents, substantially, the liabilities of the Town at the present time. It will be observed, however, that said Report does not include the bounties voted by the said Town to discharged and deceased soldiers, on the seventh of December last: said bounties, if payable, being, by the terms of said vote, not yet due. Relying at that time upon former precedent, and not having examined the Statute in relation to the subject, no doubt was entertained as to the authority of the Town to pay retrospective bounties; and, in accordance with said vote, notes were given at the time, by the Selectmen in two cases, for the amount of said bounties. But subsequent investigation, together with the expressed opinions of able counsel, seem to render it conclusive that the vote was unauthorized by the Statute, and illegal; and that the payment of such bounties by the town cannot be legally enforced. For these reasons, the Selectmen have delayed giving other notes, although requested, until the question shall be judicially decided; and have made no effort to ascertain the precise number who might be entitled to bounties under the vote.

Respectfully submitted,

PERLEY ROBINSON.

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OF THE

SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF FREMONT, N. H.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH, A. D. 1864.

TO THE CITIZENS OF FREMONT, N. H. :

Agreeably to the laws of New Hampshire, defining the duties of superintending School Committees, the undersigned would respectfully submit the following Report, as exhibiting the condition of the schools in Fremont for the past year.

We have been fortunate in the selection of teachers, with scarcely a single exception. The schools have all been successful, although there has been a marked difference in the improvement and progress of each.

The great majority of the scholars are young—having yet to form a taste for books, and a desire for self-improvement; and the Teachers to whom you have intrusted your children have been examples of faithfulness and diligence worthy of their imitation; they have exerted the right influence, and have only lacked a more hearty, thoughtful, Christian co-operation from parents and citizens.

We should take an honest, increased pride in our Public Schools, and cultivate it by more frequent visits in the school-room; if we cannot give a *word* of encouragement, do give a *look* of approval; it will cheer many little hearts, that are almost discouraged over a hard lesson.

Much of the success of our schools depends upon the Prudential Committees; these should be our best citizens; men interested and competent in securing the services of the best Teachers. As a rule it is safer, and indeed the only sure way

of obtaining first-class Teachers to engage those that have *already gained* a reputation.

DISTRICT No. 1.

Prudential Committee, ABEL KIMBALL.

The whole amount of school money for the District is \$113.15.

SUMMER TERM.

Length of School, 15 weeks.

Wages of Teacher, including board, \$16 per month.

Whole number of scholars, 22.

Average attendance, 15.

Instances of tardiness, 10.

Number of visits by citizens and others, 6.

WINTER TERM.

Length of School, 13 weeks.

Wages as in the Summer School.

Whole number of scholars, 31.

Average attendance, 16.

Instances of tardiness, 47.

Joseph Avery was neither absent or tardy during the Term.

S. Grace Scribner, of Raymond, N. H., taught both schools. Miss Scribner is an experienced and successful Teacher. The improvement during both Terms was good. There are several fine scholars in this District. The attendance for the past year has been bad—very bad, for this school; 975 days lost by non-attendance of pupils for the Winter Term only. The closing exercises for the Winter School were interesting, but we were saddened as we missed one sweet, musical voice.

DISTRICT No. 2.

Prudential Committee, WILLIAM H. GIBSON.

Amount of school money assigned this District, \$130.14.

S U M M E R T E R M.

Length of School, 14 weeks.

Wages of Teacher, including board, \$16 per month.

Whole number of scholars, 35.

Average attendance, 28.

Instances of tardiness, 9.

Visits by citizens and others, 17.

Albert M. Follett was neither absent or tardy one-half day during the Term.

W I N T E R T E R M.

Length of School, $12\frac{1}{2}$ weeks.

Wages of Teacher, including board, \$20 per month.

Whole number of scholars, 36.

Average attendance, 24.

Instances of tardiness, 21.

Visits by citizens and others, 8.

Sarah J. Floyd, and Nathaniel Tilton, were neither absent or tardy during the Term.

Both Terms were taught by Dora P. Webster, of Fremont, N. H. They were good, prosperous schools; a commendable progress and a fair degree of diligence were manifested by the scholars.

D I S T R I C T N o. 3.

Prudential Committee, JAMES MARTIN.

Amount of school money, \$101.65

S U M M E R T E R M.

Teacher, Rinda S. Thing, of Brentwood, N. H.

Wages per month, including board, \$16.40.

Length of School, 12 weeks.

Whole number of scholars, 36.

Average attendance, 23.

Instances of Tardiness, 54.

Visits by citizens and others, 14.

Ellen A. Nichols was not absent one half-day during the Term.

The Teacher has taught seven months before this school. This was a pleasant, quiet school; still the progress was not what it ought to have been. There was a visible lack of energy and interest, which are requisite to make a good school.

WINTER TERM.

C. Augusta Haley, of Fremont, N. H., taught this school. There are no extracts, as the school register has not been received. This was an excellent school. The scholars were orderly, diligent and prompt. There was more than a breath of life—just sufficient to go lazily through a dull routine of recitations; every pulsation seemed to overflow with intelligent activity. The closing exercises were quite interesting and satisfactory, showing faithful, thorough instruction; also an aptitude and enthusiastic desire to learn.

DISTRICT NO. 4.

Prudential Committee, JACOB W. SMITH.

Amount of school money for this District, \$48.40.

There was only one Term of this school, which continued 15 weeks.

Wages of Teacher, including board, \$13 per month.

Whole number of scholars, 14.

Average attendance, 10.

Instances of tardiness, 44.

Visits by citizens and others, 16.

The Teacher, Sarah E. Prevere, of Brentwood, N. H., has taught 12 months before this Term, and 8 of them have been in this District.

This is a prosperous school; and under the faithful, intelligent care of Miss Prevere, is steadily improving.

GEORGE F. BEEDE,

S.S. Com. of Fremont.